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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**May, 2010**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases\* submitted to the laboratories this month.....971  
Number of items\* contained in these cases.....1677

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month..... 1682  
Number of items analyzed this month.....2943

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 7043  
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 140 days  
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....213

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	761	11%
16-30 days old	743	11%
31-50 days old	811	12%
Greater than 50 days	4728	67%
TOTAL	7043	100%

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	241	8%
16-30 days	286	10%
31-50 days	305	10%
Greater than 50 days	2111	72%
TOTAL	2943	100%

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	543
Cocaine	587
Heroin	452
Others	1361
TOTAL	2943

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	12
Cocaine	22
Oxycodone	18
TOTAL	52

**Calendar Year (2010) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	9006
Items Analyzed	12339